

REMARKS

In view of the advisory Action, RCE has been filed to further clarify the features of the invention.

In the present invention, it is very important to use purified tetraalkyl ammonium hydroxide which does not substantively include impurities comprising alkali metal elements and halogen group elements; and to leave tetraalkyl ammonium hydroxide added at the time of preparation of the coating film inside the coating film as it is.

If tetraalkyl ammonium hydroxide containing alkali metal elements and halogen group elements as impurities is used in forming the coating film, a zeolitic coating which has projections and dents on the surface thereof is formed. Therefore, no smooth surface is obtained on the coating film. However, in the present invention, since purified tetraalkyl ammonium hydroxide is used, the zeolitic coating is not formed on the coating surface.

In contrast, Komatsu discloses the silica-based coating film with the low dielectric constant having the polymer composition consisting of the hydrolysate of the alkoxy silane and/or the halogenated silane. Komatsu et al. neither describes nor suggests that "the silicon compound (hydrolysate) and tetraalkyl ammonium hydroxide (TAAOH)" of the present invention are included. Other references do not disclose or suggest the specific combination of the compounds of the invention. Especially, in the invention, tetraalkyl ammonium hydroxide must not include impurities to avoid zeolitic coating. However, such removal of impurities is not disclosed in any cited references.

Also, the other cited references neither describe nor suggest the coating film comprising the composition of the present invention.

Claims pending in the application are patentable over the cited references in the final Action.

Reconsideration and allowance are earnestly solicited.

Three month extension of time is hereby requested. A credit card authorization form in the amount of \$1,860.00 is attached herewith for filing three month extension of time (\$1,050.00) and RCE (\$810.00).

Respectfully Submitted,

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